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SUBJ: ICAF 1975 FIELD TRIP

REF: ICAFTEL DTG 142020Z MAR 75, GEORGE-FOUCHE

LETTER FEB 19, 1975, STATE 37299

1. GOS APPROVES ICAF VISIT.

2. FOLLOWING INFO PROVIDED AS REQUESTED REFERENCED

LETTER: (A) RESERVATIONS FOR 13 DOUBLES, 7 SINGLES

MADE AT NEW FOUR-STAR HOTEL (LOS GALGOS) CENTRALLY

LOCATED JUST AROUND CORNER FROM EMBASSY. DOUBLE ROOM

RATE IS 10.68 PER PERSON, SINGLE IS APPROX

\$13, CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST INCLUDED. (RATE WILL

VARY SLIGHTLY WITH FLUCTUATING EXCHANGE RATES IN EFFECT).

IN ORDER TO OBTAIN DISCOUNT, WE ARE BOOKING

THROUGH TRAVEL AGENT AND RECOMMEND THAT ICAF BE

PREPARED TO MAKE LUMP SUM ADVANCED PAYMENT TO AGENCY;

(B) SUGGEST STUDENTS USE EMBASSY FOR EMERGENCY

ADDRESS: U.S. EMBASSY, SERRANO 75, MADRID, SPAIN

276-3400 OR 276-3600.

C. PERSONAL CHECKS GENERALLY NOT ACCEPTED IN LOCAL

HOTELS, STANDARD TRAVELERS CHECKS ARE. LOS GALGOS IS

NEW HOTEL, AND WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO DETERMINE WHICH

CREDIT CARDS WILL BE ACCEPTABLE. AMERICAN EXPRESS,

CARTE BLANCHE, DINER'S CLUB NORMALLY ACCEPTED IN BETTER

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SHOPS IN SPAIN.

D. TORREJON AB WILL SUPPLY BUS FOR TRANSPORTING ICAF PARTY FROM AND TO BARAJAS AIRPORT UPON ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE. LOCAL BUS REANTAL FOR TRANSPORTATION INVOLVED IN SCHEDULED APPROX \$92 PER 8-HOUR DAY, 200 KILOMETERS TRAVEL (APPROX 120 MILES) INCLUDED, \$6.28 PER ADDITIONAL HOUR. TAXIS IN MADRID ARE UBIQUITOUS AND INEXPENSIVE AND ARE RECOMMENDED FOR INDIVIDUAL EVENING OUTINGS. E. EMBASSY WILL PROVIDE LOCAL CURRENCY IN INDIVIDUAL PACKETS UPON ICAF ARRIVAL. PLEASE PROVIDE NAMES AND INDIVIDUAL AMOUNTS DESIRED. SINCE EMBASSY RATE WILL NOT VARY APPRECIABLY FROM HOTEL RATE, STUDENTS MAY DESIRE PACKETS OF \$50 WITH ADDITIONAL AMOUNTS TO BE PURCHASED AS DESIRED AT HOTEL WITH TRAVELERS CHECKS.

F. REGARDING FUNDING FOR OFFICIAL TRANSPORTATION EXPENSES AND UNUSUAL EXPENSES (INTERPRETER SERVICES, ETC.) EMBASSY WILL PROVIDE ESTIMATE WHEN SCHEDULE TAKES SHAPE. STABLER

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